(d) In a *suo-motu* proceedings in this matter, the Hon'ble Supreme Court, have directed the Archaeological Survey of India and the Government of Uttar Pradesh to file a report in the matter. Further action will be taken in the light of the orders of the Apex Court.

Central assistance to Science City in Bangalore

1649. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Karnataka Government has sent any proposal for Science City in Bangalore to offer glimpses from the world of Science and Technology;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether Government will take steps to provide Central assistance to the proposed Science City?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Since there is no budget provision for the purpose, it is not be possible to consider assistance to Science City project.

Book publishing scenario

1650. SHRI KARTAR SINGH DUGGAL: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the state of book publishing in India today;

(b) the number of books published in India during 2000-2001 as recorded in the National Library, Kolkata, language-wise, State-wise;

(c) whether the record in the National Library, Kolkata reflects the true picture; and

(d) if not, what steps are proposed to be taken to remedy it in the Book Year currently being celebrated in the country?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) India has a vibrant book publishing industry and can be counted among the first seven publishing nations in the world, with about 60,000 new books

being published every year. About 80% of the books published are in Indian languages. India is probably the only country which publishes books in around 30 languages.

(b) The number of books published in India as recorded in the National Library, Kolkata during 2000-01 is 19,960. Language-wise and State-wise figures are given in Statement I and II. (*See* below)

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Instructions have been issued by this Ministry to various publishers to abide by the law. The National Library is regularly sending notices/reminders to the publishers requesting them to deposit publications in the National Library. Advantage is being taken of major book fairs held periodically in different parts of the country, to apprise publishers about their legal obligations under the Delivery of Books and Newspapers (Public Libraries) Act, 1954.

Statement-I

NATIONAL LIBRARY, KOLKATA

Statistics of books received under Delivery of Books and Newspapers (Public Libraries) Act 1954 *during* 2000-2001

Language-wise

Assamese	637
Bengali	1,986
English	6,734
Gujarati	336
Hindi	2,043
Kannada	656
Kashmiri	—
Malayalam	603
Marathi	1,266
Oriya	1,708
Punjabi	326
Sanskrit	99

Sindhi	—
Tamil	2,903
Telugu	451
Urgu	201,
Other Languages	11
TOTAL:	19,960

Statement-II

NATIONAL LIBRARY, KOLKATA

Statistics of books received under Delivery of Books and Newspapers (Public Libraries) Act 1954 *during* 2000-2001

State-wise

Andaman and Nicobar	5
Andhra Pradesh	672
Arunachal Pradesh	32
Assam	657
Bihar	301
Chandigarh	66
Dadra and Nagar Haveli	2
Delhi	4,386
Goa	74
Gujarat	296
Haryana	65
Himachal Pradesh	70
Jammu and Kashmir	12
Karnataka	824
Kerala	806

Lakshadweep	3
Madhya Pradesh	145
Maharashtra	1,905
Manipur	8
Meghalaya	17
Mizoram	12
Nagaland	5
Orissa	1,927
Punjab	311
Pondicherry	121
Rajasthan	169
Sikkim	5
Tamil Nadu	3,640
Tripura	13
Uttar Pradesh	596
West Bengal	2,815
TOTAL:	19,960

Security arrangements in Taj Mahal

†1651. SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that recently some activists of a political party created a nuisance in the famous historical building, the Taj Mahal Complex by wearing shoes despite the restriction on it;

(b) if so, whether the Government are going to take up the security arrangements of the Taj Mahal in their hands;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.